

## Phormio; or, The Scheming Parasite – Terence

Phormio or, The Scheming Parasite by Terence Translated by Henry Thomas Riley

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*Phormio* is a comic play written by Terence, a Roman African playwright who lived during the Roman Republic. Its first performance was in 161 BC at the Ludi Romani religious festival. Critics generally consider this play to be structurally one of the best Roman comedies. Terence based *Phormio* on another play called *The Claimant* by Apollodorus of Carystus, although that play is now lost. Phormio; or, The Scheming Parasite – Terence

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